

Two French Gendarmes take a close look at the Kfir upon its arrival at Le Bourget yesterday. (UPI telephoto)

Kfirs debut tomorrow at French air show

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
PARIS. — A pair of Kfir fighter-bombers made their first international appearance yesterday, landing here after a four-and-a-half hour flight from Israel at the start of the French air show, which opens at Le Bourget Airport tomorrow.

Israeli Aircraft Industries' chief test pilot Danny Shapiro and Asher Bin-Nun were at the controls of the Kfirs, both of the C-2 type. They broke their journey to refuel at Brindisi, Italy.

Shapiro, a retired Air Force pilot, told *The Jerusalem Post*: "The flight went very well. But we got here an hour behind schedule because of a 100-knot headwind all the way from

Israel." An Arava short take-off transport plane equipped with winglets also flew in to Le Bourget to take part in the French show, the world's biggest aviation market.

There was no ceremonial welcome to mark the Kfir's first venture outside the Middle East. But two dozen reporters and photographers vied for front-row positions to film and interview the pilots within minutes of touchdown.

The Kfirs are painted with standard Israeli Air Force camouflage markings and Stars of David with the name of Israeli Aircraft Industries displayed on their fuselages. One of the two aircraft will make

daily display flights, while the other will remain on display.

The Kfirs carried basic weapons stores for their flight along the Mediterranean, up the Adriatic and over the Alps into France. A Boeing transport brought spares and a full range of armaments, which will be displayed with the aircraft during the Le Bourget show.

The Kfir is certain to attract much attention from potential customers here, at a time when the Austrian government is in the process of deciding whether to buy the aircraft.

One Kfir was scheduled to appear at the British Aircraft Show in Farnborough last September. But it was scratched by the organizers on the spurious pretext that IAI had applied too late to present it.



Labour MKs talk with President Efraim Katzir (left), Haim Bar-Lev and Chayka Grossman. They are Shoshana Arbeli-Almashine (Ben-Ami, Sumphot)

Alignment now a 'fighting opposition'

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Alignment leaders, resigned to the idea that government power will soon slip out of their hands, told President Efraim Katzir yesterday that they would become a "proud and fighting opposition" in the Ninth Knesset.

Commerce and Industry Minister Haim Bar-Lev, MKs Shoshana Arbeli-Almashine, Chayka Grossman and Moshe Shal, and MK-elect Eliahu Speller, met with the President behind closed doors for nearly 90 minutes — about the same time that Likud leaders needed on Monday to propose Menachem Begin for the premiership.

After hearing from Bar-Lev of Alignment support for the tradition

that the head of the largest party be invited first to form a government, Prof. Katzir asked if that meant the Alignment was not proposing its own candidate. Bar-Lev responded, "At this stage, we are not."

Much of the discussion, according to one MK, was centered on why the party did so badly in the election and how it would rebuild itself in the coming years. Bar-Lev told the President that 400,000 citizens voted for the Alignment and were thus entitled to have their views represented faithfully in the new Knesset. The party will continue to fight, he said, for peace with security and for controlled inflation that would not increase unemployment.

The minister told reporters later, "There are things in this country

besides the Knesset — we have settlements and hundreds of thousands of people who see eye-to-eye with us. We hope to mobilize these forces behind us."

The Alignment, asserted Bar-Lev, is not in the process of assembling a coalition of parties to topple the Likud, but it is interested in making contacts with newer parties that may be interested in cooperating as an opposition.

Arbeli admitted that her party's loss was a great disappointment and a "heavy blow," but she hoped the Labour Committee, of which she was chairman in the Eighth Knesset, will continue to be controlled by the Alignment in the new Knesset. "We have interests there," she said, adding that she didn't know who would be committee chairman.

Peres: B-G's name is carried as chattel

TEL AVIV (Him). — "One may choose whatever party he likes, but he may not carry with him like chattel the name and the heritage of Ben-Gurion," Defence Minister Shimon Peres said yesterday at a meeting of the Ben-Gurion Circle of the Labour Party.

He said he would refrain from criticizing Likud leader Menachem Begin and "him who joined him from the Labour Party." Nevertheless he did make a number of sharp references to Moshe Dayan's action. "There are those who perceive Ben-Gurion's doctrine as a doctrine of success, and when the success comes to an end so does the doctrine. Everyone may criticize the party, demand reforms and discuss whether the party is true to its ideals — but not to jump from tree to tree."

Peres said it might be a good thing for the country to get a taste of the Likud alternative. "After it does so, I'm not sure it will do it again." It was possible to change the government, he said, but not the world.

This was the moment of truth for the Labour Party, Peres said. The party had been dealt a blow, but not its historic way. Ben-Gurion's way had been that of Jabotinsky's and "let them not try to describe

Jabotinsky's way as though it were that of Ben-Gurion." Peres said it was conducted within Jewish history and was integrated in the array of forces operating in the world at large. We must not adopt a way that will make the world think that the Arabs are the flexible side, ready for a peace settlement, and

that Israel is rigid and uncompromising. If Israel did get such an image, it would have to pay a heavy price.

For the past 10 years, there had been no question in the government of the principle that Judea and Samaria should not be annexed and that the Jewish character of Israel must be retained.

Kollek: Majority of Israelis would give up West Bank for peace accord

Jerusalem Post Correspondent
WASHINGTON. — Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek suggested yesterday that "a majority" of Israelis would be willing to negotiate a withdrawal from Judea and Samaria in exchange for real peace, despite the outcome of the recent Israeli elections. But he insisted that "there is no one who is ready to give up Jerusalem."

Addressing the Overseas Writers Club, the mayor also expressed the opinion that the Likud victory will not affect Jerusalem's policy of "reasonable tolerance" toward the

city's Arab minority. "I have no reason to believe that Mr. Begin will try to change this policy of reasonable tolerance in Jerusalem," Kollek said. He noted that any change in this policy would be "against the will of the people" in Jerusalem.

Kollek is in Washington for ceremonies marking the 10th anniversary of the city's reunification after the 1967 Six-Day War. He was expected to meet last night with national security adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski.

Fahmy: Inevitable that oil will be our weapon

BEIRUT (UPI). — Egyptian Foreign Minister Imad Fahmy said in an interview published yesterday it was "inevitable" that oil would be used as a weapon in the event of a fifth Arab-Israeli war.

(This contradicts Saudi assurances given to U.S. President Jimmy Carter last week by Crown Prince Fahd.)

Fahmy also told the pro-Syrian daily "Al-Sharq" that other Arab states besides Egypt and Syria would commit troops to battle.

"The use of oil is inevitable," he said. "The Arab states must use all of their potential."

Fahmy predicted that the Arab states would stand "as one man"

against Israel and not content themselves with watching "Egypt and Syria throw their dearest sons into the battle."

He said that Egypt preferred a peaceful resolution of the Arab-Israeli conflict; but that, if peace initiatives failed, "what was taken away by force can only be recovered by force."

The Egyptian foreign minister said that Arab heads of state would be holding regular strategy sessions, such as the meeting in Riyadh 12 days ago.

In Riyadh, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat met with Saudi King Khalid and Syrian President Hafez Assad. Fahmy said there was "nothing to stop" Jordan's King

Hussein from attending such sessions and that the Palestine Liberation Organization should attend as well.

Another key component in Arab strategy is repairing the badly strained relations between Egypt and the Soviet Union, since Egypt's armed forces are almost entirely Soviet equipped.

Fahmy said he planned to meet with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko on June 9.

The American magazine "Aviation Week" recently estimated half of Egypt's roughly 600 jet fighters were out of commission. Some 100 Egyptian Air Force Mig fighters are now in the Soviet Union for repairs, it said.

Rhodesians push on in third day of invasion

SALISBURY (Reuters). — Rhodesia's military chief, General Peter Walls, yesterday said his forces on an anti-guerrilla strike mission inside Mozambique had seized the town of Mapai, 75 km. from the Rhodesian border.

Gen. Walls told a news conference that Rhodesian troops, who thrust into Mozambique at dawn on Sunday, would stay in the neighbouring country "until terrorists have been eliminated from the area."

He said Mapai, on the Limpopo River southeast of the Rhodesian border town of Vila Salazar, had been in Rhodesian hands since early Monday.

"Troops will be withdrawn from Mozambique as soon as they have completed their task of eliminating ZANLA (Zimbabwe Liberation Army) terrorists from the area in question, and destroying or removing arms, ammunition or equipment dumps or caches," he said.

There were no civilians in Mapai when Rhodesian forces entered, he said.

There were no immediate estimates on the population of Mapai, but it is believed to be the biggest centre between the Rhodesian border and the Mozambique capital of Maputo, further southeast.

Gen. Walls said a main guerrilla camp outside the town was the logistical and supply centre for the Mozambique province of Gaza. The base was among the four smashed by the Rhodesians, he added.

Gen. Walls said the Rhodesian troops, hunting down black nationalist guerrillas fighting to overthrow the white minority regime here, had encountered little resistance on their advance into Mozambique — one of five Black African "front-line" states in the Rhodesian conflict.

The Rhodesians, supported by air cover, had overrun and destroyed four guerrilla bases since Sunday and had killed at least 32 of their enemy, he said.

Rhodesians suffered "only light casualties," — not one fatality to date — and no aircraft lost.

He said he was not disappointed with the results of the attack, but had hoped his men would have killed "hundreds" of guerrillas.

Intelligence reports had indicated the presence of a much bigger guerrilla force than had been found. He said it was believed the guerrillas had scattered as the Rhodesian forces approached.

Gen. Walls said Rhodesian forces had not so far clashed with Mozambique government troops. If there was a confrontation, he said, Rhodesian commanders in the field would deal with it "as they see fit." "It is not our intention to go to war with Frelimo," he declared. Frelimo is the army of the Mozambique government.

The commander said his troops — a mixed force of regulars and reservists, black and white — would remain in Mozambique "until their task is completed."

He said this meant the elimination of guerrilla elements in the area across the border from Rhodesia's trouble-ridden southern region, code-named "Operation Repulse" by the Rhodesian Army.

Allon tells Lewis of concern on U.S. stance

Jerusalem Post Staff

Foreign Minister Yigal Allon yesterday summoned U.S. Ambassador Samuel Lewis to a meeting in Jerusalem in which Allon expressed Israel's concern at recent statements by President Jimmy Carter which hinted that Israeli concessions beyond the outlines of UN Security Council Resolutions 242 and 338 are conditions for Middle East peace.

Israel's concern about Carter's statements, which were debated in the last cabinet meeting, centres on Carter's inclusion of recommendations contained in 30-year-old General Assembly documents such as compensation for Palestinian refugees.

Carter's statements on a Palestinian "homeland," an issue which was not mentioned in the UN documents, and on almost complete withdrawal to pre-1967 borders also worry Israeli officials.

After the meeting the Foreign Ministry spokesman said Ambassador Lewis had assured Allon he would relay the Israeli concern to Washington. The spokesman said Lewis also told Allon that only the two Security Council resolutions formed the framework acceptable by both the U.S. and Israel for progress towards peace in the Middle East.

Lewis pointed out that this had been stressed in the memorandum of understanding signed by the U.S. and Israel within the framework of the Israel-Egypt interim agreement under which Israel carried out its second withdrawal in the Sinai in 1975.

The spokesman said Allon had told Lewis that the addition of new principles in recent statements by American leaders would lead to a hardening of Arab attitudes in peace negotiations.

Uzan to Rumania

BEN-GURION AIRPORT (Him). — Agriculture Minister Aharon Uzan left yesterday for a two-week visit to Rumania during which he will sign an agricultural cooperation agreement with his hosts.

Uzan is returning a visit by the Rumanian agriculture minister. He will also see how the first Israeli-Rumanian agricultural agreement — signed between the two countries two years ago — is being executed in Rumania.

DMC, Likud to resume talks: Dayan still 'open'

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
POST Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Democratic Movement for Change yesterday evening decided to resume coalition negotiations with the Likud, broken off over the latter's nomination of Moshe Dayan last Thursday to the post of foreign minister.

The DMC decision followed an exchange of letters between its leader, Prof. Yigael Yadin, and the Likud's candidate for prime minister, Menachem Begin.

Begin, who replied to Yadin's request for "clarification," did not cancel the Dayan nomination but said that the distribution of portfolios and other issues were open to negotiation "without exception."

The DMC leaders, who conferred here for three hours yesterday evening, dispatched a letter to Begin agreeing to resumption of negotiations.

Begin yesterday rejected Yadin's request that he be "appointed" former defence minister Dayan to be foreign minister.

Many DMC leaders, who hold Dayan responsible for the shortcomings exposed in the Yom Kippur War, felt slighted by what Yadin described as a "unilateral step, and a few accomplices."

Begin, in his reply to Yadin yesterday, said: "There is no basis" to the complaint. The Likud leader quoted his bloc's announcement that Begin had "offered" Dayan the post and that Dayan had "accepted it in principle."

Begin went on to quote the Likud Executive's statement on Sunday, which was a compromise between the Herut and La'am factions, which supported the nomination, and the Liberals, who opposed it. The Liberals interpreted the resolution as meaning the nomination was "Begin's proposal only," but the other side claimed the nomination still stood.

In his letter to Begin on Monday, Yadin wrote that the conflicting explanations did not clarify the Likud's policy. Begin replied: "This decision speaks for itself. It needs no explanation." He added: "I will bring my proposals to the Likud Executive for approval."

The Liberals interpreted this as meaning that the nomination is not final. In fact, however, the Likud Executive last week endorsed Begin's offer.

Begin went on to suggest that the DMC should not intervene in this issue: "I will definitely not intervene in (our coalition) partners'... choice of their ministers... Each of them will decide in its representatives in the government; and it doesn't even enter my mind to oppose them, to take exception to them, or to request their replacement. I hope... this will be the attitude of all the coalition partners."

But he immediately followed this statement by saying: "According to these democratic principles, we will discuss in complete freedom the composition of the joint government, its guidelines, the distribution of roles there — without exception."

The DMC secretariat and Knesset faction met here at 4 p.m. to discuss Begin's letter.

The two-hour debate only MK-designate Shmuel Toledano urged breaking off negotiations. He saw no substantial change and doubted whether "we will be able to change anything" in such a cabinet.

Amnon Rubinstein also had reservations. Begin's statement that partners in the coalition not interfere with one another's choice of its representatives to the Knesset means there will be fiefdoms and each party can do as it pleases. This should be opposed, he declared.

But Meir Zorea said the clause expressing readiness to negotiate all issues "without exception," and the claim that there was no justification to suspend the talks, mean that "we have been satisfied," he said. "We're not entering the government, but negotiations," Zorea added. He also argued it is important to form a government quickly.

Boaz Nahsh said the DMC must raise all its demands in the negotiations. Before the vote Toledano came round to the majority view, and Rubinstein's exceptions were rejected.

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The black-clad Orthodox leaders complained that boys and girls shared accommodation in military camps and girl soldiers' skirts were too short.

They demanded that autopsies be made only with the families' consent and that the number of permits to work on the Sabbath be cut. MK Shimon Peres said that if employees in some military laboratories may have to work on the Sabbath, but there is no justification to issue similar permits for textile plants. Port workers sometimes work slowly on Fridays in order to create a backlog so they could get overtime pay on Saturdays, he claimed.

The Aguda delegation also asked that "pornographic pictures" be banned from billboards, and that censorship of films displaying sex and violence be tightened, because

were noted in Yadin's letter, which was unanimously endorsed in a subsequent hour-long debate among the members of the DMC negotiating team.

Yadin's letter, which was delivered to Begin by the DMC spokesman, started off by stating he opposes some of the Likud leader's claims, but does not want to go into a prolonged debate on them. He nevertheless indicated the DMC may not join a cabinet in which Dayan would be foreign minister.

"Although, usually, in a coalition regime... every party can decide for itself how to staff the ministries it is responsible for, there are also some exceptions," Yadin wrote. In such cases "one party has a right, and even a duty... to take such appointments into account when it decides whether or not to support a proposed government."

But Yadin wrote that he believed the key sentence was Begin's readiness to discuss portfolios and guidelines without exception, and said that, "under these circumstances I've been authorized... to inform you that, our substantial differences on important issues notwithstanding, we agree to renew the talks."

The Liberals' leader, Simcha Ehrlich, insisted at a press conference yesterday there were no decisions on who would be minister. The Likud negotiating committee will start discussing these matters today or tomorrow, and its proposals will be brought to the parties comprising the Likud for approval, he said.

Yadin won't join coalition unless he gets foreign affairs

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Democratic Movement for Change will agree to join a Likud-led government coalition only if it gets one of the key portfolios — namely the Foreign Ministry. This was stated last night by DMC leader Prof. Yigael Yadin in an interview on TV's "Moked" in which he stressed that his party — presumably Prof. Yadin himself — should have the foreign affairs portfolio to be able to influence government policy effectively.

"It is vital for us to get the Foreign Ministry," he explained, "because Moshe Dayan is very close to the political views of the Likud. One has to see the proposal to appoint him foreign minister in the context of policy-making by the next government." Yadin said, adding that with Dayan in such a key position together with the Likud leadership the question would arise to what extent the DMC's share in government responsibility could really be effective.

"We are being urged to join a Likud-led government because our views are different from theirs and it is for this reason that we must have a position of decisive influence in such a cabinet. By the same token, the public pressure is applied on us to join the government, similar pressure should also be applied on the Likud to come to terms," he said.

Yadin agreed that there was a wide gap between the DMC and the Likud on foreign and security policy and that was also why this was the first item on the agenda of their coalition talks.

"We will not tell the Likud to give up its ideology, because this would be like telling someone to give up his religion. They say there should be Israel sovereignty between the sea and the River Jordan, and we say there should be territorial compromise for peace, but the question is what happens until then, what do we do within the next year or two?"

"The Likud has already said that they will not apply Israeli law to the administered areas while there are negotiations with the Arabs. We are not opposed to settlements in the areas," he explained, as long as they are for security reasons. This is why we support new settlements in the Jordan Rift. Even with the Likud, basic principles of the new government will probably say that settlements can be established only by government decision," he said.

Agudat Yisrael lays down demands to Likud

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
POST Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Agudat Yisrael and the Likud held their first meeting here yesterday, and representatives for the ultra-religious party spelled out their basic demands.

They said girls should not be drafted into the army. Those who refused exemption from army service on grounds that they are religious should not be subjected to examination by a board.

The black-clad Orthodox leaders complained that boys and girls shared accommodation in military camps and girl soldiers' skirts were too short.

They demanded that autopsies be made only with the families' consent and that the number of permits to work on the Sabbath be cut. MK Shimon Peres said that if employees in some military laboratories may have to work on the Sabbath, but there is no justification to issue similar permits for textile plants. Port workers sometimes work slowly on Fridays in order to create a backlog so they could get overtime pay on Saturdays, he claimed.

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they have a bad influence on the youth.

The Likud team did not react to the Aguda demands, partly because it was involved in the Likud Executive meeting which discussed Begin's reply to Yigael Yadin. They scheduled another meeting for next week.

But Elzer Weizman, who is likely to be the next defence minister, said that as far as he was concerned, shared accommodations and the length of skirts was not a religious issue but a breach of military discipline. Discipline is poor, he declared, and he will change "soldiers' concepts of what army life and discipline are," a Likud participant reported.

Weizman reiterated what he had told the National Religious Party on Sunday: non-religious girls should be drafted, but procedures for discharging the religious ones will be simplified.

MK Rabbi Shlomo Lorincz told *The Post* later he was "pleased" to hear Weizman's statement, but "that's not enough."

"If our values are met — we could support the government even without getting a seat in the cabinet," Lorincz said. "But should they not meet them — they can offer us even four cabinet portfolios and we won't support the government," he added. There are four Aguda

Ehrlich said he believed the key for ministerial positions should be one cabinet portfolio for every five Knesset seats. Thus, if the coalition should rest on 75 Knesset members, there will be 15 ministers — "no more," he declared.

Ehrlich insisted that the Likud had not decided yet which portfolios it will keep for itself. Earlier, a Likud MK told this reporter that his bloc wanted to hold on to defence, foreign affairs, finance, and the premiership. Ehrlich said: "There is such a view in the Likud," but added it is not "the law Moses received in Sinai," and the Likud is open to suggestions.

Ehrlich said his bloc will be guided by the demands of the coalition partners, but intra-Likud problems will be examined in the light of national interests. He said there will be three Liberal Party ministers, but he did not name them.

Ehrlich said he did not know whether Begin would insist on Dayan's appointment. Nor did he know whether MK-designate Ariel Sharon would be a minister. (Ehrlich had opposed Sharon's joining the Likud before the list of Knesset candidates was presented to the Central Elections Committee, but subsequently he made up with Sharon. Yesterday he said he has no "personal objection" to seeing Sharon at the cabinet table.)

He denied having offered Arye Dulin the post of foreign minister, as Dulin has claimed. Ehrlich said he had merely expressed his opinion in a "friendly" conversation with Dulin.

Yadin recalled that the only cabinet post for which he had offered himself was after the 1973 Yom Kippur War when he suggested that he join the government (then headed by Golda Meir) as minister for peace negotiations. He denied that he himself had suggested to be in charge of welfare or domestic affairs in a new government, although the DMC had put major emphasis on these issues in its election campaign.

The DMC will not join the new government "at any price," he said, but could form a coalition with the Likud as long as its own policy was not contradicted.

Yadin stressed that the DMC will insist on preparing legislation for electoral reform within the next two years and will then do everything in its power to implement such a reform, which is the only chance to change the country's regime. He realized at the same time that the Likud would be reluctant to go to the polls again after two years, though took them 22 years to convince the

Questioned on his attitude, Moshe Dayan in view of Shlomo (Yadin's) share in the Agranat inquiry commission, Yadin recalled that the commission's report was unanimous and that he did not regret one bit of any of its findings. "We stressed already then that the question of personal and political responsibility for the failures of the war were for the parties, the people and parliament to decide."

"There was no doubt that the entire leadership bore parliamentary responsibility, and the people indeed had their say about it," he said, in obvious reference to the results of last month's elections.

Yadin ruled out the possibility of forming a coalition together with the Labour Alignment and the National Religious Party, saying that it was only right that the largest Knesset faction should be invited to form the new government, as even the Alignment proposed yesterday to the President.

He rejected the notion that the DMC was in fact the historical Mapai — the forerunner of the Labour Party — stressing that his party was a new movement which wants to revive the pioneering spirit of the true Zionist era. "We decided to call ourselves democrats and not liberals or socialists, because we want Israel to be truly democratic," he concluded.

MKs in the new Knesset). The Aguda Yisrael team told the Likud they were not demanding changes in legislation, only enforcing existing laws. "We didn't demand banning traffic in Hefsa on the Sabbath," one Aguda representative said.



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SOCIAL & PERSONAL

President Ephraim Katzir yesterday received a delegation of heads of American insurance companies now visiting Israel as guests of Israel Bonds.

Author Saul Bellow and his wife, Dr. Alexandra Bellow, yesterday visited the Weizmann Institute and were luncheon guests of Institute Chancellor Meyer Weisgal. Dr. Bellow also lectured to Weizmann Institute mathematicians on "Vector-Valued Amari."

The Haifa Rotary Club will hold a business meeting at the Nof Hotel, 1 p.m. today.

Col. O.C.S. Dobbie, guardian of the Garden Tomb, will speak on "Guarding a Holy Site in Jerusalem" today at one o'clock at the weekly meeting of the Jerusalem Rotary Club, at the YMCA.

Birth

MAGNES. — To Liz (nee Rosenbaum) and Rafi Magnes, a daughter, in Jerusalem, on May 30, 1977.

DEPARTURES

Rabbi Alexander Schindler, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, for the U.S.

Absorption Month

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Absorption Month begins today with the theme "A beautiful Israel absorbs immigrants." It will be visible by neighborhood clean-up projects, decoration of homes and cars, volunteer work in the army and immigrant artists' exhibitions.

Organized by Absorption Minister Shlomo Rosen for the third year in a row, the month expresses the belief that Israel can attract olim if it improves its quality of life.
Olim will be taken to visit veteran settlers and successful factories, as well as historical sites and picturesque areas around the country.

Rumours fly on delaying Histadrut elections

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The Likud's Ezer Weizman yesterday announced that Defence Minister Shimon Peres had approached him on behalf of the Labour Party to seek the Likud's agreement on postponing the Histadrut elections, which are slated for June 21.

Peres, however, denied Weizman's statement, saying that his call was merely to check rumours that the Likud wanted the elections postponed.

Yesterday's dispute arose just 24 hours before all lists for the Histadrut elections must be submitted. The lists are to be presented today between noon and 5 p.m.

A Likud spokesman yesterday speculated that Labour might want postponement of the elections, both to have time to consider Yehoram Meshai as the head of its list and to allow the Likud government to come into being so that Labour could shape its tactics against it.

Shmuel Bahat of Labour, however, said the Likud would benefit from postponing the elections because "it would give them time to finish forming the government first and it would leave fewer options for Yigael



MK David Levy, who heads the Likud list for the Histadrut elections, poses with his wife and nine of their children. Another daughter is serving in the IDF. (IPPA)

Yadin (leading candidate of the Democratic Movement for Change).

Bahat, incidentally, is not pleased with the Labour list. He had proposed that former ministers be placed at the top of the list, along with Knesset members, to show the voter that the party is putting its best people into the Histadrut. When his proposal was rejected, he asked to be put in the 100th place on the list to show his protest.

Gideon Ben-Yisrael, who is in charge of the information campaign in the party's election team, praised the list. He noted that 50 per cent of the people in realistic places on the list are representatives of workers' committees. He described this as "a revolution."

He also said he knows of many voters who voted for the Likud or for other parties in the Knesset elections but are "coming back" to the Labour Party in the Histadrut elections because the issues here are matters of working conditions and living standards rather than broad national questions.

"A worker may agree with (Simha) Ehrlich on Judea and Samaria, but Ehrlich owns a factory and can't represent the workers' interests when it comes to wages and working conditions," Ben-Yisrael said.

The Likud spokesman disagreed. "Of course the Labour Party says what it says because it's unpalatable for them when workers vote for us. The fact is that the Likud contains all

kinds of people. The head of our list, David Levy, was a construction worker until he was elected to the Knesset. That was 10 or 12 years ago, not 40."

Yehuda Sha'ari has been selected to head the joint list of the Independent Liberals and the Civil Rights Movement.

The candidates will be competing for 1,501 seats at the 13th Histadrut convention, which in turn will elect the Histadrut Council, and that body will elect the Histadrut Executive.

The proportion of convention seats received by each party dictates the party's proportional weight in the council, executive and Histadrut Central Committee, which is formed on a coalition basis similar to that on which the government is formed.

'Areas' mayors can't go to Rabat parley

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The military government has informed the mayors of six towns in Judea and Samaria that they may not attend a conference of Arab mayors which is due to convene in Rabat in a few days.

Six West Bank mayors had received invitations to the Moroccan conference: Bassam Shab'a of Nabulus, Elias Freij of Bethlehem, Hilmi Hamoun of Tulkarim, Ibrahim Tawil of El-Bira, Fahd Kawaema of Hama, and Karim Khalfat of Ramallah.

Several of the mayors received invitations to the conference via the Jordanian government. Others were invited by the mayor of Kuwait, who is chairman of the Arab mayors' organization.

Bethlehem Mayor Elias Freij expressed his astonishment at the ban, noting that only a few days ago the military government had allowed chairmen of West Bank chambers of commerce to attend a conference in Damascus.

Most of the West Bank mayors except for Freij, who has served for many years, have expressed support for the PLO.

BACKFIRE — A jury in Fort Pierce, Florida, has awarded an orthopedic surgeon \$175,000 damages in his lawsuit accusing a former patient and his lawyer of suing him without grounds. The doctor's lawyer said the verdict eventually will lower insurance rates by reducing frivolous lawsuits.

JUSTICES SCORE TRIAL BY MEDIA Supreme Court denies Siboni appeals

The Supreme Court yesterday sharply criticized the communications media for finding accused persons guilty before they have had their day in court.

The occasion for the court's comments was its ruling on the appeal of Albert Siboni of Mevasseret Yerushalayim. The court partly accepted the appeal on Siboni's conviction, but rejected his appeal against the severity of the sentence. Siboni was sentenced in April 1976 to six months in jail, a one-year suspended sentence, and a fine of IL5,000.

The court also rejected the appeal of the state attorney against the leniency of the sentence.

Siboni was found guilty of heating Pinhas Pinhasi, also of Mevasseret, into handing over a building-block machine free of charge. In addition, Siboni called Pinhasi a few days after the extortion and demanded IL5,000, threatening "I'll make you a cripple for life and I'll rape your daughter before your eyes."

At the time the case was aired in the Knesset, and a "Nikud" television programme depicting extortion in the Wild West was cancelled by the Broadcasting Authority on the grounds that it was a parody of the Siboni case.

Justice Alfred Witkon said at the beginning of his judgment that he was greatly concerned that the atmosphere created by the shapers of public opinion made it difficult for the court to reach a just verdict. The

media had pointed to the Siboni affair as an indication of a new style of violence and intimidation in Israel. There was danger that the sanctified rule that a person is regarded as innocent until proven guilty would become an empty phrase.

"Today," Justice Witkon continued, "I am not prepared to say (as I once did) that this danger does not lie in wait for a judge whose profession and craft is adjudication. I am filled with trepidation. We must judge the case before us, whether leniently or severely, according to its circumstances, without regard to anything else."

As to Siboni's conviction, Justice Witkon said that in Pinhasi's testimony he had found no basis for the prosecution's argument that Siboni had demanded the building-block machine as a condition for not carrying out his threats. Hence, Siboni could not be convicted of aggravated extortion, but only of the lesser crime of extortion. Nevertheless, he said, the sentence handed down by the district court was proper.

Justice Shlomo Ascher agreed with Justice Witkon as to the danger of creating a hostile public opinion against an accused before his trial. But he took issue with his colleague on the weight to be attached to Pinhasi's statement to the police, which he did not repeat in court. Since Pinhasi had submitted to the court a sworn statement that he had told the police interrogators the

truth, that should be accepted. The court could not close its eyes, he said, to the grave phenomenon of pressure and threats being employed against complainants and witnesses in an effort to get them to change their testimony.

In the present case, Justice Ascher said, there were clear signs that pressure had been put on Pinhasi to retract the statement he had made to the police. "I do not believe that we should encourage those who exert such pressure by laying down judicial norms that ignore reality."

Were it not for the wording of the law that did not enable Siboni's conviction for aggravated extortion, he would have been in favour of accepting the state's appeal against the leniency of the sentence. (Him)

Jerusalem youth drowns

HAIFA. — Herzl Ben-Yair, 15, of Jerusalem drowned off the municipal beach here on Monday afternoon.

According to police, he entered the water with a friend and they swam away, out of the lifeguard's sight. The lifeguard went after them but by the time he reached them Ben-Yair had drowned.

LOTTO. — The winning numbers in yesterday's Lotto draw were 15, 17, 23, 28, 33 and 36. The additional number was 30.



The founders of Kibbutz Ginosar, now celebrating its 40th anniversary, visited Jerusalem yesterday. They are seen on the lawn outside the Foreign Ministry, with Minister Yigal Allon (third from left, foreground), a member of the kibbutz. The group was also received by President Ephraim Katzir. (Sunphot)

500-year-old Tora given to Israel Museum

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin presented Jerusalem's Israel Museum yesterday with a Judaic treasure — a 500-year-old Moroccan Tora scroll that he was given recently by an anonymous donor.

"I'm pleased to be a shaliach mitzva (an emissary on a pious mission)," he said, wearing a black skullcap, as the glass-encased scroll was unveiled at a ceremony in the museum. "It is a symbol of the Jewish faith and tradition...Bringing it to the museum is a great privilege."

The deerskin parchment inscribed with the Five Books of Moses in square-shaped letters originated in the village of Debdou in eastern Morocco. Brown with age yet legible, the scroll was presented to the prime minister several months ago along with ornate wooden rollers, silver pointers and an embroidered velvet cover.

No details on who the Moroccan donor was or where he met Rabin were disclosed. But this original owner of the Tora is apparently a person of high standing in the country. The premier decided "immediately" that the scroll should be given to the museum. The acquisition is the institution's oldest scroll of the law, valued at IL100,000 and upwards.

The chief army chaplain, Aluf Gad Navon, who was born in North Africa, told the audience that the village has been an active centre of Jewish life with many great rabbis

and dynasties to its credit. In a letter to the prime minister, Shaul Ben-Simhon, chairman of the World Movement for North African Jewry, expressed his gratitude that the "valuable treasure" of Sephardi Jews has come home to Zion. Rabin and other dignitaries, including Police and Interior Minister Shlomo Hillel, Deputy Communications Minister Eli Moyal and Jerusalem deputy mayor Yosef Goldschmidt, were barely noticed as they passed through the museum crowd who were busily eyeing the exhibits.



Premier Yitzhak Rabin, in skullcap, closes the display case housing a 500-year-old Tora scroll he presented yesterday to the Israel Museum. (Rahamim Yisraeli)

Kreisky criticizes Dayan's betrayal of Labour Party

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
VIENNA. — Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky today strongly condemned Moshe Dayan's betrayal of the Labour Party for a Likud cabinet post, comparing it with the action of "some French socialists and neo-fascists" who joined Marshal Petain's collaborationist government in wartime France.

In an exclusive conversation with The Jerusalem Post, Kreisky termed Dayan's move "astounding. Is that what the people who voted for him wanted..."

Kreisky stressed that he spoke not as chancellor but "as a social democrat" and as leader of the Austrian Socialist Party. He said he had been in contact with "friends in Israel" and their reports to him had expressed "hopelessness. The situation in your country is very difficult," he observed, easily shaking his head.

Asked if by comparing Dayan to the French socialist renegades he was not in effect likening Likud leader Menachem Begin to Petain, Kreisky replied that Begin was indeed "very extreme... a man of the right."

Air controllers weakening as army keeps B-G humming

Jerusalem Post Reporter
BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — The civil flight controllers, suspended from their posts last Thursday night when the government replaced them with Air Force flight controllers, spent yesterday trying to find ways of ending their labour dispute without "unconditional surrender."

One of the flight controllers frankly admitted, "We have very little to fight with, unless we can persuade others to go out on a sympathy strike. So far, we have not been successful."

"The longer the military controllers man the control tower, and as they gain more experience each day, the weaker our position is."

Ezra Balass, airport director,

yesterday told The Jerusalem Post that the airport was functioning normally.

A spokesman for the flight controllers said that they would be willing to return to work, as they had been for the past few days, if "someone would speak to us directly, not through a works committee composed of porters."

The Histadrut has refused to recognize the works committee of the civil flight controllers, saying they must find their representation within this union of all airport workers.

Yesterday, there was no contact between the civil flight controllers and either the Histadrut or the Ministry of Transport.

Discovery of ancient soil may increase farm area in Arava

Special to Jerusalem Post
Scientists at the Hebrew University's Faculty of Agriculture in Rehovot have discovered ancient soil in the Arava that may be used to expand the arable area in the region. The scientists found exposed layers of 30-million-year-old soil, from the Neogene and Eocene periods, which is suitable for agriculture.

The research team, headed by Abraham Amiel and Jerzy Nawrot, who ascertained that the soil was suited for agricultural crops, estimate the soil is enough to cover thousands of dunams of land in the Arava, thereby appreciably expanding agriculture in the region.

The Arava is known for its climatic features, and winters are especially good for growing vegetables for export.

The main factor delaying further development of settlements and establishment of new ones in the region is lack of arable land. Most of the Arava soils are composed of coarse

pebbled alluvium, saline gypsum-filled soil, and extremely tiny soil. Some settlements already bring earth from other areas to enlarge their soil acreage, but the quantity of such earth is limited.

According to geological literature, the Arava in ancient times had a rainy tropical or eutropical climate. That era left in its wake red dirt which is undoubtedly derived from ancient soil. The discovery of ancient soil is a major step towards overcoming the shortage of arable land in the Arava. The soil discovered has a concentration of about 50 per cent clay, which is thought in Israel to be responsible for the lack of soil aeration and for excess salinity. However, it was found that the clay in the ancient soil is of the kaolin variety, known for its beneficial qualities for agricultural use. It is this which has led the researchers to conclude that the addition of this soil to existing areas of the Arava will improve crops in the region.

Murder suspect may be freed soon

TEL AVIV (Him). — Police will release merchant marine officer Moshe Amir in four days, unless more evidence is discovered against him in the murder last month of 25-year-old Lona Pick. The agreement was reached between Amir's lawyer, Haim Misgav, and the police.

Amir, 32, has already been held for 36 days as the suspected murderer of Mrs. Pick, who was discovered in a park near the Bay of Quarant along the Yarkon River, bleeding to death from a shot in the back of her

head. Investigators claimed Amir described as a friend of this victim was involved in the crime, which may have stemmed from drug dealing. They also claimed that Amir failed a lie-detector test administered shortly after his arrest. Misgav claimed all along that his client was innocent and that police had no evidence against him. Misgav had agreed to a police extension of Amir's remand for four days, on condition that he would be released if further evidence turned up. Police and Judge Arye Eynart agreed to Misgav's conditions.

Ammunition store explodes in Golan

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TIBERIAS. — Settlers in southern Golan and around Lake Kinneret, and residents of Tiberias were awakened at 4 a.m. yesterday by explosions.

A brush fire on the Golan had spread to an army ammunition store and set off a series of explosions that lasted for 30 minutes in intervals of

10 minutes. No one was hurt. The Golan and Jordan Valley fire brigades were unable to approach the dump because of the exploding ammunition, but managed to put out the brush fire. A nearby settlement reported some damage, mostly to window panes and roof tiles.

Man injured in police pursuit

PETAH TIKVA (Him). — A young man was critically wounded in the head on Monday morning by a shot fired by a policeman who was trying to stop him from running away with valuables he allegedly stole from a burglarized flat.

Police yesterday described the incident saying officers patrolling a Petah Tikva street in an unmarked car on Monday morning saw two young men who were carrying packages wrapped up in sheets in what seemed to the policemen to be a suspicious manner. The policemen

identified themselves and asked the two men to stop. The two men started to run with the police car keeping pace with them on the street. The policemen again demanded that the two stop; but they suddenly dropped the packages and made a sharp turn. The commander of the patrol fired a shot in the air and was about to fire another shot when the police driver suddenly braked, upsetting the policeman's aim. The second shot hit the young man in the head, the police stated.

Big crowd expected at cup final

By PAUL KOHN
POST Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV. — President Ephraim Katzir will be among an expected 40,000 crowd at the cup final at the Ramat Aviv Stadium today, where Tel Aviv Maccabi and Tel Aviv Betar play for the State Cup. The last time these two clubs met in this cup final was in 1947. The pre-game ceremony will get under way at 4:30 p.m., with the kickoff at 4:50 p.m. Tel Aviv Maccabi will field an unchanged team from that which

beat Netanya Maccabi 6-1 in the semi-final last week. Betar also have been a team to fear in recent weeks, heating Acre Hapoel 1-0 in the semi-final. Tel Aviv Maccabi are already league champions, and their coach Yacov Grumman said yesterday that his team are extremely keen to clinch the cup and league double. They are favourites to do so, but Betar will give them a hard time of it. The game will be refereed by Naphtali Eytan.

French deny bid for Flatto not clear

By JACK MAUBICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
PARIS. — French justice officials yesterday poured cold water on suggestions that their extradition request for Knesset member-elect Samuel Flatto Sharon, who is wanted here for fraud and tax evasion, was not clearly formulated.

They were referring to Israel's request for more details on Flatto's alleged crimes, saying that information so far submitted was not enough to form the basis for a decision to extradite. Officials commented that the extradition request was not a complete bill of indictment but had been drafted in accordance with the Franco-Israel treaty, which requires adequate details about the offender and the offences imputed to him. A senior civil servant said: "The main issue is for us to lay hands on

Flatto and bring him to book. We have faith in the sincerity of our Israeli colleagues who share our determination that criminals must not slip through the clutches of the law."

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Bank of Israel calls for two-year freeze in living standards

By DAVID KRIVINE
Post Economic Reporter

Living standards will have to be frozen this year and next if Israel is to complete her recovery from the economic setbacks that followed the Yom Kippur War, according to the Bank of Israel.

Addressing a press conference in Jerusalem yesterday, Arnon Gafny, governor of the central bank, stated that his advice to the next administration — whoever heads it — is to slash the budget deficit by ILB.15b. a year.

Taxes should not be increased, he added, as experience shows that this only causes labour unrest. The bank recommended applying both to income tax and to the levies on goods and services. Sales tax could be abolished, and Value Added Tax raised in its stead, provided that the total remains approximately the same, he said.

All the cutting must come, therefore, on the expenditure side. Gafny advocated a freeze on social services. As the population continues to grow, that means reducing service.

All expansion programmes in the local authorities and other state-supported institutions, including the universities, must be pigeon-holed, he said. Subsidies should not merely be frozen (which means reduced, every time the currency is devalued), they should be phased out bit by bit; that is, the price of subsidized goods and services should be gradually augmented.

Subsidies to capital have also to be reduced Gafny said. Cheap loans for approved purposes (development, working capital, housing) must be made costlier. "I'm just stating the facts," Gafny stressed, when asked whether he was not pre-empting the new government's right to fix policy. "We worked out in the bank what must be done if the aim of economic recovery is to be achieved. We tender our conclusions as advice."

The occasion of his press briefing was the publication yesterday of the Bank of Israel's annual report for 1976. It was presented in the morning to the bank's own advisory committee, at midday to President Ephraim Katzir, and in the afternoon to the Knesset Finance Com-

mittee. It was discussed with Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz in the evening. The report deals among other subjects with the decline in savings. Governor Gafny's advice was to offer a better return on state bonds. Private incomes did not go up in 1976, but private consumption did — by 2 per cent per person. People ate into their savings, which have fallen from 32 per cent of gross private incomes in 1973 to 26 per cent.

This is due partly to a reduction in the index-linkage of the bonds from 100 per cent to 90 per cent, and later to 80 per cent. Gafny was firm that the plan to reduce the linkage further to 70 per cent will not be carried out.

Wages ought to be frozen too, he added. The proportion of persons without work will increase to 4.5 per cent this year and 5 per cent next. "This is not real unemployment," he declared. Joblessness arises from two sources: a stop on the recruitment of labour for the public service, and the shedding of persons who have already become redundant in their workplaces. The purpose is to push manpower away from the over-manned domestic sector towards labour-hungry export industries. If these policies are applied, inflation will not exceed 25 per cent this year, and will ease to 20 per cent in 1978, he predicted. The Gross National Product should swell by 3 per cent, and by 4.5 per cent in 1978. But practically all that increase will be taken up by the growth of exports, which is mooted to be 10 per cent this year, and 13 per cent next.

The report records that the country's trade deficit narrowed by \$600m. in 1976, or \$500m. if defence imports are omitted. No further improvement is expected this year, because imports will rise as much as exports. But next year another \$150m.-200m. must be lopped off the trade gap, he said.

It stands today at \$1.8b. if arms are excluded. Between \$1b. and \$1.2b. of that is covered by the normal capital inflow (I.L.A. restrictions, capital investments, etc.). The rest has to be financed by extra borrowing. That necessity should be eliminated as soon as possible, Gafny said.



Bank of Israel Governor Arnon Gafny discusses his annual report yesterday in Jerusalem, flanked by Zvi Sussman, centre, head of the bank's research department, and Mordechai Frankel, deputy head of the department. (Eliahu Harazi)



TARGET PRACTICE. — Trumpeter in IDF band finds another use for his instrument while waiting for a ceremony to begin at Beit Hanaasi this week. (Rahamin Yisraeli)

Histadrut prefers Suez to Eilat, says port manager

SHEILA MELTZER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

EILAT. — Ze'ev Matok, recently appointed port manager, yesterday blasted the Histadrut for "supporting Sadat instead of Eilat." He was angered by the fact that two ships carrying 15,000 tons of South African iron, which should have been imported via Eilat, went instead through the Suez Canal to Ashdod, while a third ship carrying the same cargo is now following the same route.

"The iron has until now played an important role in Eilat's traffic, as well as in salaries of port workers who receive a higher handling premium. The ore is imported by the Histadrut-owned Hamasbir Hamerkazi."

"How is it possible," Matok said, "that the Histadrut can deprive Eilat Port workers of a large part of their livelihood?" He added that in spite of the Commerce Ministry's repeated promises that imports from South Africa and the Far East would be routed only via Eilat and that there would be some subsidization of land transport costs to help the

port remain competitive and viable — nothing at all has been done; and there is a real danger that other shippers will follow the Histadrut's example and bypass Eilat.

Matok said he had been unable to get an explanation from Hamasbir for the change in routing. On checking into the matter, he found that savings made by using the canal were insignificant, and the canal's fees only helped to strengthen the Egyptian economy at the expense of Eilat's.

Giving a resume of 1976-77 traffic, Matok told his first press conference that Eilat had experienced a growth of 28 per cent as opposed to only 4 per cent in Haifa and a drop of 12 per cent in Ashdod. Major factors were the growth of phosphate exports, which amounted to 292,000 tons (against 209,000 tons the previous year) and metals, which were 261,000 tons (144,000 in 1975-76). Citrus exports, mainly for Japan, also grew by 15 per cent — to 1.2 million crates. Altogether, traffic through the port amounted to 914,000 tons.

Pentagon reticent on Arab bias, says AJC

WASHINGTON. — The American Jewish Congress said yesterday that the Pentagon has been "unresponsive" to this organization's attempt to find out if Jews are barred from U.S. military assignment in Arab lands.

"It seems to us inconceivable that under a genuinely non-discriminatory assignment policy not a single serviceman of the Jewish faith would be found serving in any post in an Arab country," said Phil Baum, associate executive director of the congress.

The Congress had written to the Pentagon on April 1, noting that under an executive order issued by former president Ford, no federal agency, including the military, could comply with any religiously related bar on personnel. In the past at least one Arab country, Saudi Arabia, has refused to permit American Jews to serve on U.S. military missions in the country.

The Pentagon, in its reply to the AJC, said that "information regard-

ing religious affiliation of DOD (Department of Defense) military personnel by geographical locations is not maintained."

"A declaration of religious preference by military personnel is voluntary," it said. "Thus, even a search of each individual's record may not yield reliable statistics on the religious preference of personnel assigned in any given country."

It also said that DOD policy "prohibits consideration of religion in selection of individuals for assignment."

Baum said the Pentagon's position was "unresponsive to our principal inquiry." He said it was "incumbent upon the department to outline positive and immediate steps to correct its traditional personnel practices so that the rest of the world will be made to understand that the U.S. will not condone or acquiesce in foreign racism or religious bigotry as a condition for stationing our troops abroad."

Authentic documentary of life in Soviet prisons to be seen in West

TEL AVIV (Him). — A 30-minute documentary film which was filmed secretly in Soviet prisons and labour camps and shows details of the "life of terror" led by political prisoners has been smuggled to the West and will be distributed throughout the world, Avraham Shifrin, an immigration activist said yesterday.

Shifrin told a news conference that the clandestine documentary was filmed under conditions of great danger and shows authentic details of the conditions of political prisoners. The distribution of the film was timed to coincide with the Belgrade European Security Conference — where among other subjects the liberalization promised by the Soviets at Helsinki will be examined by western countries.

Shifrin said that he knows of at least 700 prisons and labour camps

where political prisoners are incarcerated, and there could be many more. Many foreigners including citizens of the U.S., France, Britain, Spain, West Germany, Iran, Syria, Greece, Egypt, Turkey and Japan are also imprisoned in these camps, Shifrin said. He explained that these prisoners either came to study in the Soviet Union or crossed the border from Iran to look for a higher standard of living.

Shifrin stressed that pressure from the free world was the only way to improve the lot of these prisoners. He said that concern in the West over human rights in the Soviet Union was instantly felt by political prisoners whose daily struggle with death became much easier when their plight appeared in western headlines.

Lea Rabin pays IL250,000 fine TEL AVIV (Him). — Lea Rabin, the wife of the prime minister, yesterday paid the IL250,000 fine she was given six weeks ago for maintaining illegal bank accounts in the U.S. Mrs. Rabin paid the fine one day before the end of the 46-day period she was given to raise the money after her conviction and sentencing by the Tel Aviv District Court on April 17.

Yitzhak Rabin was forced to step down as the Labour Party's choice for re-election as premier in the wake of the scandal.

Lebanese Christian claims Israel is supplying electricity and water to village of Marjayoun

BEIRUT (AP). — A southern Lebanese town of 30,000 residents has been getting all its water and electricity from Israel since the local supply was sabotaged a week ago, a Lebanese army officer said yesterday.

He also supported earlier reports that Israeli artillery has periodically bombarded Palestinian strongholds in southern Lebanon. But, he said, this is only retaliation for Palestinian shelling of Israeli positions.

Marjayoun, a Christian town and outpost for right-wing militias in the South, is totally dependent on Israel for its survival until the local water and electricity lines can be restored, Lt. Adnan Homsi said in an interview.

Homsi, who recently headed the Christian forces in the South, would not say, precisely how Israel is supplying the services to the town. 5 kilometres inside Lebanon. But an independent source said generators and water are probably being trucked by Christian drivers across the border at Metulla, where Israel operates one of three gateways into

Lebanon as part of its "Good Fence" policy. Homsi insisted that Israeli forces do not operate inside the border and that only "civilian committees" in the Christian villages deal directly with Israel.

Beirut-based correspondents have been unable to pass through armed roadblocks to reach Marjayoun. Last week, a Lebanese officer told newsmen in a northern Israeli village that Marjayoun's water supply had been blown up by Palestinians. The Palestinians denied it.

Homsi, speaking from his office in the Lebanese military headquarters here, said Israeli 170mm. howitzers have shelled the Palestinian-held town of Nabatiya in recently increased artillery exchanges.

He said Palestinian shells often land across the border. Palestinian guerrillas confirmed this last week. "What can I do, tell Israel to stop returning the fire?" Homsi shrugged.

The 30-year-old Christian officer claimed the Palestinian-leftist

alliance started the flare-up for no apparent reason about two weeks ago with a barrage of artillery on Christian positions. Palestinians in Nabatiya said last week the Israeli-backed Christians ignited the latest exchanges as a prelude to a new offensive following the right-wing election victory in Israel.

Homsi said outsiders have been misled into believing that the Lebanese Christian forces are acting as a surrogate for Israel in the South. "That just is not so, but we are isolated down there and would take help from the devil himself in defend ourselves and the area."

The Christian officer, claiming he takes his orders from the Lebanese High Command, said the goal is to push the guerrillas back north into the Arakoub region, a 100-square-kilometre area the government set aside for Palestinians before the war. "Let them fight Israel from there," Homsi said. "We don't care."

New 'urban kibbutz movement' launched

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A new "urban kibbutz movement" for development towns was announced here yesterday at Beit Sokolov by its chairman, Shimon Daniell of Dimona.

The new movement will limit common-facilities to the dining hall, nursery school, laundry and other services. Families will live in their own homes or apartments, and the members will earn regular salaries at their own jobs. Each family according to its size will pay a monthly fee for the services of the commune.

Members of the movement explained that they want to attract young people who are looking for a challenge to build a better society. Daniell said that he hoped the movement would be particularly beneficial to development towns. According to government statistics, Daniell said, some 20,000 people left development towns in the past

year.

He added that his movement was looking for dedicated, idealistic young people willing to serve in their commune in their free time. He said he thought the movement should be especially attractive to new immigrants and returning Israelis.

The movement also plans to build industrial plants where both its members and residents of the town will work. Each family that wants to join will have to buy a IL60,000 share in the kibbutz. There are already 250 persons who have announced willingness to join.

Daniell said he expected urban kibbutzim would get assistance from the Jewish Agency and other bodies which support agricultural kibbutzim.

The movement hopes to establish a number of kibbutzim in development towns. At present they are talking about the development town of Hat-zor in Galilee as their first target.

Moshe Katzav, the head of Kiryat Malachi Local Council and recently elected Likud MK, welcomed this new idea as a great help to the development towns. Katzav promised to give his support to this movement in the Knesset.

Leaders of the movement pointed out that they are not affiliated with any political party and hope to be able to keep their movement independent from politics.

Concerning housing for members of the commune, Daniell emphasized that they would receive standard homes that are being built today in the development towns, both in blocks of apartment houses and in two-family homes.

Hits spell solid cash for radio

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel Radio's Third Programme will celebrate its first anniversary this month with profits on its balance sheet and a reservoir of loyalty from hundreds of thousands of regular listeners.

Instituted on June 20 of last year amid charges in the government and the Knesset that it would be a money-losing luxury, the Third Programme covers its cost and brings the Broadcasting Authority profits from advertising. Authority director-general Yitzhak Livni argued last year that a light radio diet of Hebrew-language and foreign popular tunes 19 hours a day would help prevent the radio from succumbing to the popularity of TV.

The introduction of the light music station also allowed the Second Programme to concentrate on news magazines, discussion programmes, interviews and talk shows, thus becoming radio's major station.

According to a recent survey conducted by the Central Bureau of Statistics for the authority, the Third Programme has made serious inroads into the listening audience of Galei Zahal and Abba Nathan's off-shore Voice of Peace station. The radio claims to have received to date about 20,000 letters from the public praising the Third Programme.

Radio announcers have been trained especially in disc jockey style to complement the pop music. Just as the programme was introduced last June with a line-up of hits, it will celebrate its anniversary with a week-long "hit parade" as well.

No children's voices in radio adverts

The Broadcasting Authority has turned down a request from several advertisers to remove the ban on the use of children's voices in advertisements broadcast on radio. Authority director-general Yitzhak Livni said that since children are far more susceptible to advertisements than adults, he does not think it right to use children's voices which would have even more influence on the children.

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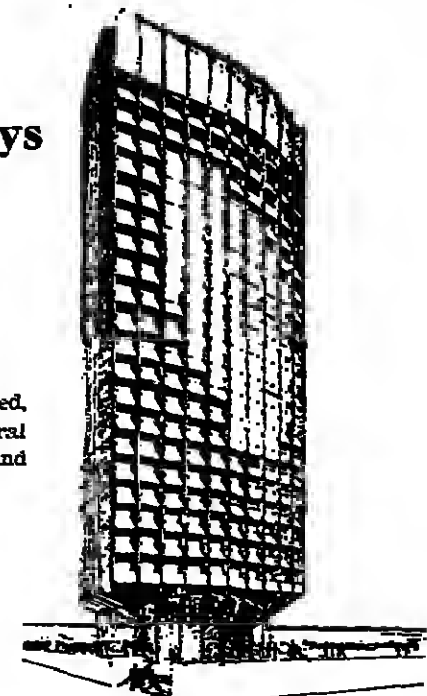
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Bezalel defends teacher under attack by striking students

By MEIR BONNEN
Post Art Editor

The current strike of students of the Fine Arts Department at the Bezalel Academy in Jerusalem stems as much from the institution's own academic status as from anything else, Dr. Dan Hoffner, the academy's director, told The Post yesterday.

In a spirited defence of the head of the Fine Arts Department, Prof. John Byle, whom he claimed is being pilloried in the press, Hoffner said a malaise among the teachers over grading had also affected the students, who not only wish for a bigger say in their teaching programme but also want more outside part-time lecturers instead of some of the permanent staff of the faculty.

The students began striking on Sunday against the quality of teaching. Hoffner said that, paradoxically enough, it was Prof. Byle who had pressed for and introduced the concept of bringing in as many outside lecturers as possible. In a statement issued to the press later yesterday,

Dr. Hoffner and Dr. Dan Romen, chairman of the Board of the Academy, registered their astonishment at the attack on Byle and said he had their full support.

The new status of the academy as an accredited institution of higher learning meant that tenure had to be given to a certain number of teachers. Some of these teachers are evidently bitter at not being made full professors, for the establishment is also limited and the title is reserved for heads of departments.

The students must now also take courses in academic subjects such as sociology and psychology, as well as the philosophy of art to obtain a degree, Hoffner said. He made special efforts to find lecturers from other universities in these subjects who could make their lectures relevant and interesting to students of the plastic arts.

The students are not only bored by these lectures but also feel they are given too many arts subjects to pursue, resulting in a smattering of knowledge about various techniques — from painting, etching, lithography, silkscreen, and drawing

in various mediums, to sculpture in all sorts of materials. Most of them would prefer to concentrate on one or two fields. They also feel that the present system of academic grading is completely irrelevant to many aspects of conceptual and modern art.

Hoffner, while sympathizing with the students, does not see how changes can be affected overnight. He still feels it is his job to give them a rounded education, so that they can later decide on what to concentrate in graduate school. On the other hand, many students feel they know where they stand after their first-year basic courses. They would also like the position of head of the department to be rotated among the teachers, a proposal Hoffner terms valueless and impracticable.

Dr. Hoffner has, however, called for the reconvening of an unprecedented student-teacher ad hoc committee, originally agreed on when a three-day protest strike took place some months ago. He hopes that such a committee of three teachers and three students will be able to hammer out a working com-

promise that will enable the students to return to work before the end of the academic year and be Dr. Romen, appealed to the students yesterday to participate in it.

Fourth-year students, who are to graduate shortly, have been exempted by the other students from participating in the strike. Hoffner has given the keys of the academy to the strikers, so that they can work by themselves at night.

Lea Rabin pays

IL250,000 fine TEL AVIV (Him). — Lea Rabin, the wife of the prime minister, yesterday paid the IL250,000 fine she was given six weeks ago for maintaining illegal bank accounts in the U.S. Mrs. Rabin paid the fine one day before the end of the 46-day period she was given to raise the money after her conviction and sentencing by the Tel Aviv District Court on April 17.

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Moluccan gunmen seek mediation

ASSEN (Reuters). — South Moluccan gunmen asked for mediation yesterday to end north Holland's eight-day hostage drama.

The mediation bid indicated that the government's firmness was paying off as the terrorists continued to hold 55 hostages aboard a hijacked train at Glimmen and four teachers in a primary school at nearby Bovensmilde.

When they took over the train and the school last week, the gunmen said they would shoot any middlemen the government sent to talk to them.

Meanwhile, a special squad of Dutch marines has been practising

aboard an armour-plated train, rehearsing for a possible assault on the immobilized express train.

Justice Ministry officials confirmed yesterday that the rehearsal, disclosed by a Dutch newspaper, have been going on in a shunting yard at Haren, 10 kilometres from the siege. But it said the armoured train would be used only if the lives of the hostages were in imminent danger.

Justice Ministry spokeswoman Toos Faber said the government would consider the terrorists' request for mediation.

Authorities disclosed on Monday that the gunmen were no longer in-

cluding that their hostages fly out of the country with them.

The queen's household yesterday announced that a state visit starting tomorrow by the president of Surinam, a former Dutch colony which gained independence in 1975, had been indefinitely postponed because of the sieges.

But the 87-year-old monarch decided to resume consultations on the formation of a new government, suspended last week. Prime Minister Joop den Uyl and Justice Minister Andreas van Agt, leaders of the Labour Party and the Christian Democrats, were invited to talk to the queen in her official residence in The Hague.

NATO air chief says Russia could hit Europe by surprise

LONDON (UPI). — The Soviet Union's military power now far exceeds any purely defensive needs and it could launch a surprise attack against Western Europe, U.S. General Richard Ellis, commander of allied air forces in Central Europe said yesterday.

He said peacetime deployment of North Atlantic Treaty Organization land forces does not allow them to hit back immediately in case of an attack.

But, in a paper presented to the 15th annual Anglo-American Aeronautical Conference, Ellis said NATO currently is reorganizing its air forces in Central Europe to enable them to retaliate immediately.

"There can be no doubt about the Soviets' offensive capability, particularly in the air," Ellis said. "Her military power now far outweighs any purely defensive needs. Any reasonable assessment of Soviet capability clearly indicates that without apparent preparation the Warsaw Pact could launch a surprise attack with little or no warning."

Ellis estimated Warsaw Pact air strength on the central front at more than 3,000 tactical combat aircraft in the forward area plus another 1,000 in the western Soviet Union and about 500 medium bombers.

He did not give allied air strength in this area, although he said the

Soviets enjoy "numerical air superiority."

However, the International Institute for Strategic Studies last September gave allied air strength on the central front as 2,050 planes.

In Washington, meanwhile, Senator William Proxmire charged yesterday that many of America's military aircraft, ships and land vehicles are not ready to perform in an emergency.

Proxmire, a maverick of the Democratic Party who heads Congress' Joint Committee on Defense Production, declared that "shockingly low readiness rates are America's No. 1 military weakness today."

"Both Congress and the Defense Department tend to concentrate on exotic new weapons while forgetting the importance of keeping existing weapons in service," he said.

In Moscow, Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev yesterday received Bulgarian leader Todor Zhivkov and made the visit an occasion for an attack on militarism in the West.

"Unwillingness to reckon with reality and frequently a return to notions inherited from the Cold War period orientation to the arms race — all this is regrettably present in the policies of the western powers," Brezhnev said in a speech at a dinner for Zhivkov. (UPI, AP)

Exile for Soviet woman dissident

MOSCOW. — A member of Moscow's beleaguered Helsinki monitoring group was sentenced to two years' exile yesterday after being convicted of setting fire to her own apartment, dissident sources reported.

The sources said the sentence was meted out at the close of the four-day trial of Malva Landau, 58, a retired geologist.

The sentence of exile is considerably lighter than the two-year labour camp term which had been demanded by prosecutors at the trial.

At the start of the trial, Mrs. Landau told the court she did not believe she had started the fire which damaged her apartment last December 18, but added that she could not prove this. She would thus admit only "partial guilt," the dissident sources said.

In Washington yesterday, exiled Soviet author Alexander Solzhenitsyn said violence against Soviet dissidents is assuming "exceptionally wide proportions." He said this was according to a letter he received recently. (AP, Reuters)

Phone Suva, tell the Banabans to expect millions

LONDON (AP). — News that Britain, Australia and New Zealand offered last Friday to pay millions of pounds in damages to the Banaban people took three days to reach to the South Pacific native, whose adopted island doesn't have a telephone.

The settlement order was made to satisfy claims by the 2,500 Banabans whose former home on Ocean Island is being devastated by phosphate mining. British Foreign Secretary David Owen made the announcement in the House of Commons.

But anyone trying to get a message to the Banabans, who now live on Rambi Island in the Fiji chain, must tellex or telephone to Suva, capital of the Fijis, and then wait until the message is relayed to Rambi by radio or even slower means.

Because of bad weather in the island chain, the Banaban leader, Rotan Tito, did not reach Suva until Sunday night to learn details of the \$5.5m. (A\$10m.) settlement offer.

The Banaban representative in London and Tito's son, Tebuke Rotan, said he received a call from his father from Suva on Sunday night and several native leaders "are now staying in Suva to consider the offer."



Queen Elizabeth meets ballet star Rudolf Nureyev on Monday night after the Jubilee Gala Performance in London. (UPI telephoto)

Queen's jubilee summer under way in Britain

LONDON (AP). — Diamonds twinkled in her hair and her blue eyes sparkled in delight on Monday night when Queen Elizabeth II attended a white-tie and tiara gala at the Royal Opera House in honour of her silver jubilee.

The gala is the unofficial beginning of a two-week climax to this special jubilee summer in the 26th year of Elizabeth's reign.

BBC televised the performance live throughout the United Kingdom, while Eurovision simultaneously aired it on the continent. It also was beamed via satellite to the U.S., where it was shown later Monday during prime time.

The BBC estimated that 50 million Britons and Europeans would tune in to see the sumptuous spectacle.

Prima ballerina, divas, and their male counterparts gathered from many countries to pay tribute to the Queen, her husband Prince Philip, Elizabeth the Queen Mother, and several other members of the royal family.

The petite monarch sat in the centre of the old opera house's first tier, a horseshoe-shaped balcony draped with graceful garlands of flowers and ferns. Bright television lights captured the sparkle of hundreds of tiny jewels sewn onto the Queen's evening gown, a simple design with a modest scooped neckline and capped sleeves.

But as the house lights held aloft by golden cupids dimmed into darkness, attention shifted from the crested royal box to the stage.

Rudolf Nureyev and Dame Margot Fonteyn danced the world premiere of a one-act ballet, "Hamlet," created especially for the jubilee by Sir Frederick Ashton, former longtime director of the Royal Ballet.

Opera stars Placido Domingo of Spain, Boris Christoff of Bulgaria, Sir Gerald Evans of Wales, and Richard Cassilly of the U.S. dominated the spotlight in separate appearances.

Killing time: Each smoke cuts life by 5½ minutes

LONDON (AP). — Each cigarette cuts a smoker's life by 5½ minutes, the Royal College of Physicians warned Britons in a statement released today. Its grim new report on smoking and health, its third in 16 years, called for a total ban on tobacco advertising to help beat what it called "this lethal epidemic."

The report said efforts so far to stop people smoking were "trivial" compared to those made to cut the far smaller number of road deaths.

The report estimated that smoking caused the deaths of about 25,000 Britons aged between 35 and 65 each year and said the lives of as many people again, aged over 65, may also be cut short.

If a person gives up smoking, "his extra risk of dying before his time disappears in 10 to 15 years," it said. Roughly one in three smokers will die because of smoking; but "cigarette smoking not only shortens life, it can also cause prolonged ill health."

The report said smoking caused the loss of about 50 million working days each year in Britain through people being away sick.

Eritreans launch 'major attack'

CAIRO (AP). — Rebel forces in Ethiopia have launched an all-out attack on the central Eritrean city of Asmara, smoothing the way for the "liberation of the Eritrean capital of Asmara," an Eritrean separatist leader said yesterday.

In an interview with the Middle East News Agency, Oeman Saleh Sabbi criticized Libya and the Soviet Union for providing Ethiopia with arms and economic aid and called on Arab governments to mediate a full merger among various rebel groups of Eritrea.

Sabbi, head of the Eritrean Liberation Front, praised a proposal by Sudanese President Ja'afar Numeiry calling for excluding Ethiopia from a planned summit meeting of leaders from Red Sea countries and inviting Eritrean representatives instead.

Eritrean rebel leaders have been claiming that their forces control 90 per cent of Eritrea and are closing in on Asmara. They said they could declare independence in six months if rebel groups were united.

Soviets recall envoy to Sudan

KHARTOUM, Sudan (AP). — The Soviet Union is recalling its ambassador to Sudan to protest a Sudanese decision to cut Russian diplomatic representation here in half, informed sources reported yesterday.

Soviet Embassy diplomats confirmed Ambassador Felix Fedotov is returning to Moscow. But they declined to give the reason. He is expected to leave this week.

Relations between the two countries in recent months have steadily worsened, with Khartoum accusing Moscow of supporting hostile regimes in neighbouring Libya and Ethiopia.

President Ja'afar Numeiry two weeks ago expelled 90 Soviet military experts and their 57 dependents. Four days later the

Sudanese told the Russians to reduce their diplomatic presence here from 100 persons to 50.

Sudan also decided yesterday to release eight crewmen from two Ethiopian planes who were arrested three weeks ago after emergency landings.

The official Sudanese news agency said authorities decided to release the men after ascertaining that the two planes were on their way to rescue a third at a point on the Sudanese-Ethiopian border.

The planes had lost their way and flew 250 kilometres into Sudanese territory.

Sudanese-Ethiopian relations have deteriorated since Numeiry in January accused Ethiopia of training subversive elements against his regime.

Libyans arrest Egyptian 'saboteurs'

BEIRUT (UPI). — The Libyan authorities have arrested a seven-man Egyptian sabotage ring and foiled an attempt to blow up a conference hall during a recent meeting of Islamic foreign ministers, the Libyan news agency said yesterday.

The Egyptians were acting on specific orders from Cairo intelligence authorities and their movements were monitored by

Egyptian President Anwar Sadat, the agency said.

"The Egyptian saboteurs have confessed they were sent to Libya to blow up several vital installations and the People's Hall while Islamic foreign ministers were in session in Tripoli recently," the agency said.

Egyptian authorities recently accused Libyan agents of planning similar sabotage acts in Cairo and other cities.

Third World is upset

PARIS. — Developing nations yesterday unanimously condemned the U.S. and its industrialized partners for not offering sufficient help to ease their plight, and warned that the North-South Conference meeting here would succeed only if the West made larger offers.

The warning, described by some Third World delegates in private as an ultimatum, was handed down by the group of 19 underdeveloped nations to the western side at the second day's meeting of the conference's final ministerial session.

Manuel Perez-Guerrero, Venezuelan minister for international economic relations, speaking on behalf of the Third World nations, said: "It is obvious that the measures that have been announced are not commensurate with the magnitude of the great problems which the developing countries face."

He accused the American-led industrialized bloc of renegeing on most Third World requirements. He said western offers made on Monday by

U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance and his colleagues "are far below our expectations."

Perez-Guerrero said the Third World delegations wanted the West to say here and now whether they would meet the developing world's demands for more financial aid.

An atmosphere of tension pervaded the lobbies and darkened corridors of the grey-stone International Conference Centre where the two blocs have been meeting since early 1976 in a bid to lay the ground rules for a new economic relationship.

The Venezuelan minister in near-dervish tones spoke about the American delegates' pledge to the conference to help create a new partnership between have and have-not nations.

The conference yesterday broke into three specialized committees dealing with energy and finance, with raw materials and with development aid to try to work out a compromise solution before the parity ends today.

Austria gets new defence minister after arms scandal

VIENNA. — Interior Minister Otto Roesch was yesterday appointed minister of defence in a cabinet reshuffle ending a six-month row over illegal Austrian arms sales to Syria last December.

Chancellor Bruno Kreisky announced the appointment four hours after the resignation of outgoing Defence Minister Karl Luetgendorf was accepted by the president.

Roesch, 60, has been interior minister for the past seven years. Previously, he was deputy minister of defence.

Kreisky said earlier yesterday that Luetgendorf's resignation had been necessary because he was guilty of misinforming parliament about arms shipments that violated Austria's Neutrality Law.

"The affair was rather small, but Luetgendorf made the mistake of misinforming parliament," Kreisky said. "Had he told the truth from the very beginning, the case could have been repaired."

The affair involved a consignment of 600 Marksman rifles and nearly half a million rounds of ammunition. It had been dispatched by arms merchant Alois Weichselbaumer, who often invited Luetgendorf to hunting parties.



Former Austrian defence chief Karl Luetgendorf, who quit his post on Monday. (AP radiophoto)

When the affair became public, Luetgendorf first claimed the ammunition was destined for Tunisia and that he knew nothing of the Syrian connection.

But a parliamentary commission of inquiry found out that Luetgendorf had been informed about all the details of the deal and that he was therefore guilty of misinforming parliament. (Reuters, UPI)

Amin to bring his own guards to London Commonwealth summit

LONDON (AP). — Ugandan President Idi Amin will come to London for the Commonwealth summit next month bringing his own British and Ugandan security guards with him, a Ugandan spokesman said on television here on Monday night.

Idi Amin, who acts for Amin here following Britain's severance of diplomatic relations with Uganda last July 28, said the Ugandan leader will come even if the British government says it can't guarantee his safety.

The spokesman said the president will bring his own security guards consisting of "British nationals as well as Ugandan citizens" but has not yet picked a date for his arrival.

The summit of the 36-nation Commonwealth, of which Uganda is a member, is scheduled to be held June 8-18.

Oman said the guards Amin intended to bring "are coming with the president to assist the British." He added that Amin had no fears for his life during the planned visit.

On arrival in London Amin may face civil writ action by Ian Hartuv, Israeli son of Dora Bloch, who was believed murdered after the Entebbe rescue mission last July. As head of a sovereign state, Amin is immune from civil writs; but he could waive this immunity to prove, as he claims, that he is innocent of the death of Mrs. Bloch.



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Notice to Immigrant Children

As part of "Immigrant Absorption Month," The Ministry of Immigrant Absorption is holding a Drawing Competition, for immigrant children on the subject: "Israel my new country."

Immigrant children aged 5-16, who have immigrated to Israel since 1972 are invited to submit their drawings to the competition.

An adjudication committee will select the best drawings submitted. The exhibition will be held in Beersheba at the beginning of July, at the end of which 3 First Prizes will be awarded. The drawings should be sent by June 30, 1977 to:

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The Trudeau split

LONDON (AP). — Margaret Trudeau, the estranged wife of Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, plans to take Pierre Charles' advice and try to become an actress, a London newspaper said this week.

The *News of the World* quoted Mrs. Trudeau as saying that Britain's heir to the throne "once told me I was pretty enough to be an actress. So I am taking his advice."

Mrs. Trudeau told the paper that she had been asked to appear on some television programmes "and if that leads to Hollywood acting offers, I'm not walking away from any chances."

A statement issued last Friday in Ottawa by Trudeau's office said the 37-year-old Prime Minister and his 23-year-old wife were separating at her request.

She is a special assignment photographer for people magazine of New York.

"The marriage has been in trouble for two years," Mrs. Trudeau said. "It's been a sham. Pierre had become number one, the children number two and me number three. I wanted all of us to be equal."

She told the paper that her husband had given her a black eye after her return to Ottawa from a highly

publicized visit to New York last March to hear the Rolling Stones rock group.

"There's no bitterness and no anger, but I've reached the decision that I must do something positive with my life. It was a hard thing to do. It was like relinquishing a throne to be an independent person..." she told the paper. "I feel it is something I should have done a long time ago. In a sense we've been living separate lives for two years."

Mrs. Trudeau described herself and her husband as "the odd couple." She told the paper that she and the Prime Minister "gave up our lovers when we married. Since then we have not been romantically involved with anyone else. Nor are we now."

She misses her sons, aged 3, 5 and 18 months "but I don't have to be a 24-hour mother. In fact, Pierre's a better parent than I am."

The couple's age difference had nothing to do with the breakup. They had agreed to "slowly ease out of the marriage, but the incident with the 'Stones' triggered the final breakdown."

She will receive a \$10 dollar monthly allowance from Trudeau, but "that's not much money for New York."

I WAS taken to task one day and asked to define just exactly what I mean by the word "spoil." As an adjective, that's an easy task. We talk easily of spoiled children (over-indulged and under-disciplined though they may be) — and usually with more fondness than alarm.

After all, we all know little girls who sulked or stormed their way through to adolescence, or boys who always took the first prize as the neighborhood menace of mischief-maker. They were difficult children, but they and their parents survived very nicely.

As a verb, "spoil" is rather more difficult, since there are as many ways to "spoil" as there are styles of parenting. The common denominator is that parents who spoil seem to achieve exactly the opposite kind of behavior from the one they are trying to induce. Whether it is going to bed, doing lessons, or accepting responsibilities around the house, they just never seem to achieve this without tears, tantrums or power struggles. In the lull between the all too frequent storms, they wonder, "So what am I doing wrong?"

There are three ways to arrive at such a state: one can be over-protective, over-demanding, or too prone to take the path of least resistance.

The over-protective parent is totally committed to PREVENTION. He is over-zealous in his efforts to keep his child from suffering any hurt, physical or emotional. He inhibits the pre-schooler from the rough-and-tumble play that develops muscles and curtails exploration that satisfies curiosity. This is the mother who rushes out to play referee when her child is quarrelling with a playmate, never letting him feel that he is competent enough to see it through on his own. This is the mother who treats every illness with the kind of solicitude that gives the child reason to suspect that he is in mortal danger.

These parents are trying to teach their children necessary caution, but by over-doing it, pass on their fears to the child. If the child begins to see himself as vulnerable or less competent than his peers, he will transfer this fear inappropriately to new situations and become reluctant to participate in new activities or to learn new skills. This is the child who feels "picked on" by peers and teachers and screams for parental help, thus failing to learn important social skills. This is the child who, although genuinely frightened of being ill, finds the attendant nursing care and attention appealing.

The over-demanding parent needs to have the cleanest, poliest children in the neighborhood. This is a person who sets extremely high standards (for himself even more than for his offspring) and enforces

How to unspoil children

ALL IN THE FAMILY

Eleanor Harris

them — sometimes too early or too stringently. The children are expected to be toilet-trained at two, to keep their rooms tidy at age six, etc. When they get mediocre marks at school, they are exhorted to try for better ones. When they get very good marks, they are urged to strive for excellence.

The goals are exemplary, but to achieve them one must exercise constant vigilance. Any infraction of the rules elicits an immediate reprimand or even punishment. "Go to your room" or "No TV tonight" can hardly be described as harsh or unusual punishment, but repeated too often, even the most gentle punishment becomes a situation to be avoided at all costs. The parent expects that, in order to avoid the punishment, the child will behave in accordance with what the parent sees as "right" and "proper."

However, any reasonable child can, if pushed too hard, figure out far more ingenious avoidance mechanisms. If the pressure to succeed is too great, some children regress and play "baby," thereby reducing the expectations. Some children perform, but without any pleasure or pride in the task; the object being to finish as quickly as possible. Some will lie or blame a sibling to avoid the unpleasantness that will surely follow any bit of mischief or messiness. It is not sensible to stick to rules and regulations that are not producing the desired results. It's far better to relax some of the rules, before the child becomes adept at flouting them all.

The parent who takes the path of least resistance is one who undermines his own standards in the interest of comfort or expediency. Every parent must on occasion make exceptions, and every child can understand "just this once." But if the exceptional behavior is tolerated frequently, then the child has every right to assume that "this is the way it's done."

Example: Your two-year-old wakes up crying and refuses to be comforted. At three a.m. the flat is

bitterly cold, you are home weary and your downstairs neighbors like quiet at night. So you take the child into your bed.

Example: Your four-year-old is playing the "buy me" game (buy me this, buy me that) in the supermarket on Thursday afternoon. You have already said "no" three or four times, but as a last-ditch effort he indulges in some vociferous bawling just as you get to the cashier. The queue is long, the cashier is impatient and you are acutely embarrassed. So you capitulate.

Example: Your ten-year-old was very busy playing with her best friend, so she left her home-work for "later." Now it's that time, she's tired and weepy, and anyway that witch of a teacher has no right to expect her to do all that work. So you leave your work to help her do hers.

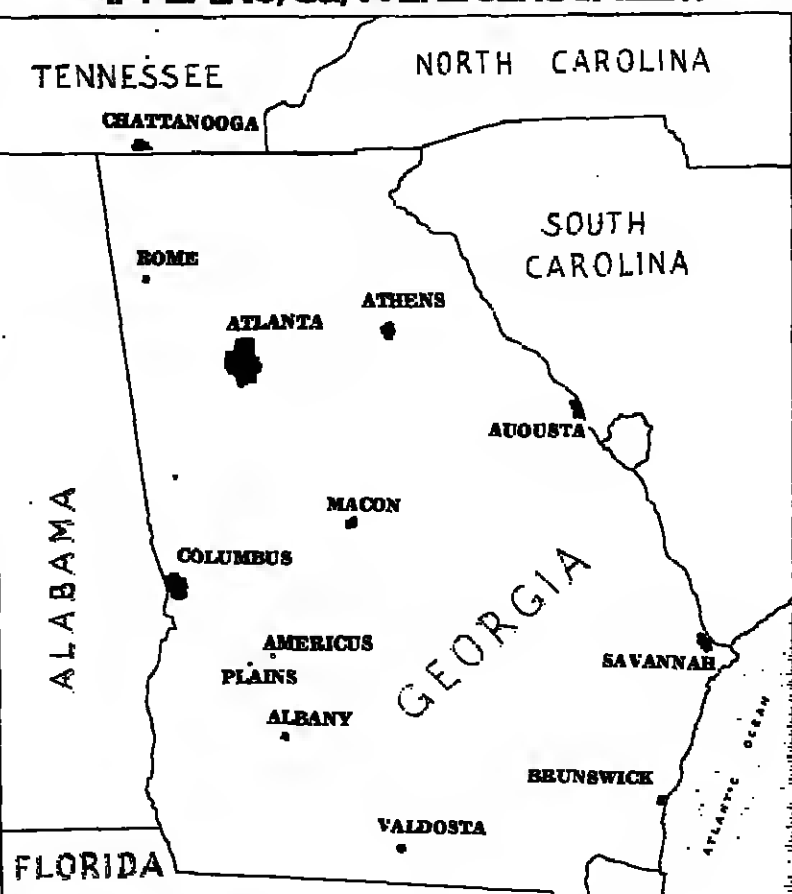
Such incidents occur in every family. Giving in once is tolerable, but if the child is repeatedly rewarded for this kind of behavior, he will be encouraged to try it again and again. If there is any reason to believe that he can win the "buy me" game, or get Mama to do his lessons, then it is worth the tears or the tantrum. The only way to stop this behavior is to say "no" and mean it.

Standards of behavior vary from one family to another, and what is acceptable to one parent may be intolerable to another. But parental tolerance is not always the best measure of a child's development. Children also have to measure up to the standards of their peers, their neighbors, their teachers, and so on. They have to measure up to their own standards as well (although the child does not articulate it in this way); and that means being comfortable with himself and competent to behave the way others of his age do.

There is no reason to believe that any child who regularly behaves in ways which are disturbing to those around him, or whose behavior is incompatible with his age, is comfortable with himself. So if your child behaves in such ways, it behooves you to help him to change by considering your own actions.

Tantrums, quarrelling, irresponsibility — the characteristics we so often associate with a "spoiled child" — are learned behaviors. But the encouraging thing is that — with a little planning and a lot of faith — the parents who unwittingly taught them to him can also teach him others to take their place.

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This map was sent to U.S. President Jimmy Carter, of Plains, Georgia, to illustrate the vulnerability of Israel's territorial situation. Handed to Mr. Carter after his election, it was produced by a group of Israelis headed by industrialist Israel Shenkar and editor Stanley Goldfoot.

Tel. 422347 for information on names listed previously.

Buyers' Guide Shops and Services in Jerusalem

By NEIL ADAM

ADVERTISING SECTION

Is your car like an oven?

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This second-hand store has a big selection (also quick turnover) of reconditioned second-hand furniture. Also electrical appliances, copperware, etc. etc. Cheapest prices in Jerusalem, east or west. They also buy 123 Rehov Jaffa (near Mahane Yehuda), Tel. 221967.

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...or a special treat for yourself — a unique, expertly compiled set of Stoles of Israel, which is a collection of 20 Israeli geological specimens, neatly assembled with explanations. Obtainable at ROTF'S ROCK SHOP. Former S. Africa geologist Alan Roup also has a truly splendid selection of semi-precious stone jewellery. Hutzot Hayotzer Art Centre (below Jaffa Gate), Tel. 272444.

Gold Jewellery made in Jerusalem

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Pardon the superlative

If you're looking for something cheap and ordinary then don't go to JACKSON, because this fine silversmith is a true artist who follows the dictates of his emotions and instincts and renders them into fabulous (pardon the superlative but it's apt) structures, jewellery, ornaments and Jewish ceremonial art. His works are found in the homes of the most famous collectors abroad. Hutzot Hayotzer (below Jaffa Gate), Tel. 284556, 522807.

Ways with tomatoes

FROM MY JERUSALEM KITCHEN / Sybil Zimmerman

The old favourite, tomatoes, are plentiful and can be spiced up with a new salad dressing, used in a soup, stuffed or baked with meat to add variety to hot-weather menus.

TOMATO-CUCUMBER SALAD

4-6 servings

3 medium cut-up tomatoes
1/2 medium sliced, seeded cucumber
1/2 cup pitted, small green olives
1/2 cup salad oil
1/2 cup lemon juice
1/2 t. salt
1/2 t. dry mustard
1/2 t. garlic powder
1/2 t. black pepper

1. Place tomatoes, cucumbers and olives in a bowl. Combine oil, lemon juice, salt, mustard, garlic powder and black pepper in a jar. Shake until blended well.

2. Pour dressing over salad, cover and refrigerate for several hours. Spoon dressing over the vegetables occasionally. Drain off dressing before serving.

GAZPACHO

(Cold tomato-cucumber soup)

1 medium, chopped tomatoes

3 small, chopped cucumbers

1/2 small, chopped fine onion

1/2 small, chopped fine green pepper

1 clove garlic

1 cup tomato juice

2 T. vegetable oil

2 T. wine vinegar

salt and pepper to taste

1 T. fresh, chopped parsley

1. Rub a wooden bowl with garlic clove. If you have a glass bowl, crush garlic or press finely and drop into bowl. Add chopped tomatoes, cucumbers, onion and green pepper. Set aside.

2. In second bowl, combine tomato juice, oil, wine vinegar, salt, pepper and parsley. Mix well. Add sauce to vegetables and chop with hand chopper to pulverize vegetables well. If you have a blender, blend for a few seconds. Chill.

TOMATO MEATBALLS

4 servings

1/2 kilo ground beef

2 beaten eggs

1/2 cup soft bread crumbs

1/2 cup chopped onions

1/2 t. salt

1/2 t. pepper

1/2 t. oregano

5 very small tomatoes (about the size of a lemon) or 1 medium-size

1. Combine ground beef, bread crumbs, onion, salt, pepper and oregano in a bowl and mix well. Add eggs and blend.

2. Divide the meat mixture into four or eight pieces (depending on the number of tomatoes). Shape meat mixture around each tomato like a meat ball.

3. Place tomato meatballs in a greased baking pan or baking dish. Add one-quarter cup of water. Bake in 375°F (190°C) oven for 25 minutes.

STUFFED TOMATOES

4 servings

4 medium-size tomatoes

1/2 cup raw rice

2 1/2 t. oil

soil and pepper to taste

1 finely chopped clove garlic

1/2 t. basil

1 1/2 t. finely chopped fresh parsley

1. Cut tomatoes horizontally, about one-third from the top. Scoop out the pulp and place with the liquid in a bowl. Save the "lids" in another dish.

2. Mix oil, rice, juice from tomatoes, pulp, salt and pepper, basil, parsley and garlic. Drop a little oil and a pinch of salt inside of each tomato.

3. Place tomatoes in a greased baking dish. Fill with the pulp-rice mixture. Cover each tomato with its "lid." Pour a little bit more oil over each tomato, add a pinch of salt. Bake in 350°F (180°C) oven for 30 minutes or until rice and tomatoes are soft.

Serve hot or cold.

Correcting an inequity

BRIDGE / George Levinrew

AT TIMES players are too eager to call for the director to correct an inequity. In today's deal, played in Seiyon, this eagerness by the defence gave declarer a top board.

Love all.

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BUSINESS & FINANCE

TEL AVIV STOCKS

Slight upward movement

TEL AVIV. — A hesitant upward movement characterized the equity market yesterday. Even as shares moved to higher ground a certain amount of internal profit-taking was evident. Also, the steam has gone out of some of the more speculative bets.

Among the financial issues the Big three banks continued to trade unchanged. Union Bank was ahead by one and a half to 485 but the options were unchanged at 368. Mizrahi was better at 264. Mortgage banks were very firm. General Mortgage was five ahead at 278 while Tetahot was adding five to 388. Shikun "B" continued among the most active issues as it closed at 256 after a seven-point jump.

Insurance stocks were mixed. They barely reached the 710 mark as half a point gain, but Haasneh was four ahead at 490. Investors are apparently disappointed with the results brought in by Sahar. The company has just reported that last year's figures reflected an 82 per cent gain in net profits. The shares are at 130 to 140. In the opening round they were "sellers only," but at 15 to 605, Israeli Cold Storage (18) reached the 700 mark on a 17-cent jump.

Land development and real estate issues lost some of their recent pep. IDC rose seven to 222. Mehadrin, however, was 19 ahead at 598. Israel Trust Plantations was six ahead at 480. Rasco pref. made a good gain seven to 556.

The profit-making tendency became more apparent among the chemicals. Elco ILI was "sellers only" at 950, but the ILI.5 shares edged out a two-point to 432.

Argaman was 12 better at 312. Ata "C" gained three to 218. Dubek was back at 800 after losing 30.5 points. Lewin-Epstein continued in demand and was "buyers only" at 357.

Investment companies showed some good upside action. Elern was seven ahead at 438. Amisbar was "buyers only" and fixed at an even 1,100. Central Trade surged ahead by 55 to 970. Discount Investments was unchanged but Hapoalim lost two at 293. Leumi Investments was three lower at 274. Jordan Exploration, in quiet trading, added 30 to 3,170. The options gained 70 to 3,090. Clal Industries was eight better at 282. Pilyon eased by one to 849.

The Netat investment dollar eased by three against 11.1.55. The index-linked bond market continued to trade in desultory fashion. Prices were generally mixed without any definite pattern except the 6.5 per cent Defence Loans, which trended lower.

At least for the time being there is little interest in these types of security as evidenced by the relatively low turnover volumes. Yesterday's turnover was under 11,000.

The General Index of Share Prices rose 0.47 per cent to 133.31.

Most active issues

Bank Leumi	251.00	IL285.200
Shikun "B"		
(B) 256 + 7.0		IL280.200
Osar Hityashuv	338 + 8.0	IL291.000
Shikun "B"		IL284.800
Bonds:		IL24.800
Natad:		IL11.95-300
Off:		274.000
Turnover:		2145.000

Solei Bouch 10% pref.	b	775	780
Property & Building	b	285	282
Israel	b	318	312
Mehadrin	b	598	598
N.C.P. Citrus	r	580	574
Leumi	r	300	303
Pri Or Ltd.	b	700	690
Rasco - 5% pref.	r	250	243
Industrials	r	222	219

INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance - B	b	888	880
IL-2.5	b	432	430
Electra - 5	b	350	350
Argaman - 5%	b	338	345
Asia - C	b	218	213
Dubek	b	800	830.5
Elco, Wire & Cable	b	187	192
Teva	b	1375	1380
Chem. & Phosphates	r	280	275
Lewin Epstein	r	367	360
Moller Textile	r	283	288
Paper Mills	r	285	290
Asahi "B"	r	236	235
Neucham 5% pref.	r	580	578
Elite	r	438	438
Shemen - 5% pref.	r	380	373
Frutarom	r	180.5	185
Frutarom New	r	178	177
Elron ILI	r	640	630

INVESTMENT COMPANIES			
Elgar	b	280	400
Elern	b	438	438
Israel Central Trade	b	970	978
Hapoalim	b	293	293
Paz	b	554	525
Wolfson - IL10	b	197	194.5
Ampa	b	228	224
Discount	b	308.5	308.5
United Mizrahi	b	290	290
Bank Leumi	b	274	277
Pilyon	r	648	650
Export Bank	b	188	188
Clal	r	282.5	283.5
Clal Industries	r	282	274

FUEL, OIL AND UTILITIES			
Naphtha OTC	r	1700	1720
Lapidoth OTC	r	1850	1850
Jordan Exploration	r	3210	3240
Royal Warrants	r	3080	3090
Delek C	r	610	600
Israel Electric Corp.	r	600	600

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Israel at Hanover's 'Inter-hospital 77'

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Laser Industries Ltd., veteran producer of medical laser equipment, will also participate in the Hanover trade exhibition. Its "Sharplan" trade name of laser technology is already in use in many hospitals throughout the world. It also is the fruit of local research and development. It was the result of the collaboration of Professor Isaac Kaplan, one of Israel's foremost plastic surgeons, and Uzi Sharon, an engineer.

In the past few years about 800 operations have been performed at Baillinson Hospital, using the Sharplan laser. One of the major advantages of this laser is its ability to reduce the loss of blood during operations. While cutting, the laser seals off the blood vessels and blood loss may be reduced by as much as 90 per cent. It also cauterizes and sterilizes as it cuts.

According to Professor Kaplan the Sharplan laser may revolutionize cancer surgery by reducing the likelihood of the spread of malignant cells into the blood stream, during an operation.

German documents scanned for hints on energy sources

COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS (AP). — A team of Texas University professors are studying, line by line, some 400,000 documents captured from Nazi Germany at the end of World War II, hoping to find an answer to the energy problems facing the world today.

"One of the things you immediately think about when you have a problem is if anyone else ever had that problem," said Dr. Richard Wainardi, a professor of chemistry and director of the university's Centre for Energy and Mineral Resources.

"Clearly, in World War II, Germany had to figure out a way to overcome the blockade that deprived her of natural oil supplies. We know the Germans were interested in organic chemistry and developed methods of using such things as sawdust, bark of trees, soft coal, to produce fuel," he said in an interview.

"They also managed to fight a war largely by using these fuels developed from soft coal and other organic substances."

Dr. Wainardi received permission from the U.S. government to probe into the seemingly endless stacks of documents captured at the end of the war. He found them stored in various vaults around the U.S. and in England.

Wheat harvest is fair this year

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel's wheat harvest this year is quite good but not a bumper crop. Mainly because of the drought in certain areas in the South about ten per cent of the 700,000 dunam planted was affected, David Ariel, head of the cereal crops division in the Agriculture Ministry told The Post yesterday.

Ariel also said that the farmers had planted about 100,000 dunam less than last year because of the relatively low prices of wheat in the world market (which is the price wheat is pegged to here). Because of that farmers planted other crops which were bringing higher profits.

The wheat yield this year is expected to be more than 200,000 tons. Local consumption comes to about 500,000 tons.

About 60 per cent of the wheat planted was of the locally developed Lachish and Miriam varieties.

France bans coffee ads from television

PARIS (AP). — Coffee advertising will be banned from French television for three months starting today in an attempt to reduce consumption and ease the strain on the country's trade balance.

Coffee prices in France have doubled, and in some cases tripled, in the last 12 months, with many brands now selling for between four dollars and six dollars a pound.

France imported \$15m. worth of coffee in March, compared with a monthly average of \$4m. in 1976. The total coffee import bill for 1977 is expected to hit at least \$1.4b., or 14 per cent of oil import costs.

German loan to Jordan

AMMAN (UPI). — West Germany yesterday granted Jordan \$25m. long-term loans for the financing of several projects, irrigation schemes and the development of the Aqaba port, official sources said.

The sources said the Federal Republic has also donated to Jordan \$1.5m. worth of laboratory and workshop equipment.

New travel allowance still inadequate

By HAIM SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The new \$700 foreign currency allowance will no doubt be almost as inadequate for most Israelis who travel abroad as the old \$450 allowance.

Travel circles predict that the black market exchanges in Tel Aviv's Rehov Lillienblum will be just as busy with would-be travellers acquiring sufficient funds to pay for hotels, transport and meals abroad.

Travel agents and tourists alike are looking forward to the day when the Likud government will fulfil its campaign promises to liberalize both travel tax and foreign currency regulations.

Meanwhile, for those who want to stay within the law, or those who are travelling on a limited budget, there is at least one possibility. Austrian Airlines is offering hotel accommodations with full board for \$9 a day.

El Messer, the Israel manager of Austrian Airlines and local director of the Austrian Tourist Information Office, points out that the hotels offering this arrangement are small family inns in the Austrian countryside.

Gov't tampering with bond terms scored

By SHILOMO MAOZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Bank of Israel attacks the Government's policy which led it to tamper with the terms of index-linked savings during a period in which policy called for restraint. A Bank report published yesterday says that during a period when fiscal steps were taken to curtail local consumption, encouragement should be given to savings, which during such time has a natural tendency to be reduced.

During 1976 the Government took a number of steps to achieve a quick improvement in the country's balance of payments. It did this by encouraging exports and trying to restrain consumption and investment. The creeping devaluations were used as a means to encourage exports. Consumption was curtailed by the removal of subsidies and the imposition of indirect taxes.

These measures, together with wage adjustments, brought about a fairly quick rise in prices. The worsening terms of savings plans, introduced since the end of 1975, went a long way to neutralizing the curtailment of consumption.

In 1976 there was a three per cent decrease in spendable private income, yet there was a four per cent

increase in consumption, which worked out to two per cent per head of population. Consumption grew alongside a steep decrease in saving — 24 per cent in 1976.

The rise in private consumption in the face of the drop in income had additional reasons. One is that the public's faith in government bonds was hurt by the less advantageous terms under which new bonds were issued. These suspicions persisted in spite of the Government's repeated assurances that the terms of the old bonds would not be changed.

Last year there was an astounding 35 per cent drop in the amount of net sales of bonds. This followed decreases of 18 per cent in each of the two preceding years.

It may be assumed, the report continues, that the further worsening of the terms of linked bonds will have a considerable dampening effect on the amount of private saving. If it will be found expedient to neutralize this negative influence on the level of consumption, it may be necessary to impose additional taxes, or to cut down on public spending.

The Bank report sees a continuing need for increasing the interest rate of directed loans in order to curtail the element of subsidy contained in them.

Expanding industry in development towns

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Sportlife sportswear company this week opened its new plant at the development town of Netivot in the Northern Negev. The plant will specialize in making pants, jackets and suits for young women and girls.

The plant's managing director, Ben-Zion Shapira, told a press conference here yesterday that the company started three years ago by "farming out" the sewing jobs to small sub-contractors. During its first year the firm exported \$35,000 worth of goods. In 1975 exports rose to \$600,000 and last year they reached \$1.4m. He said that last year the firm sold only IL1.5m. worth of its goods on the local market.

Sportlife employs 100 workers at its new plant. Shapira said that the added value of goods his company makes from local fabrics reaches 90 per cent, and from imported fabrics 70 per cent.

Sportlife has sales agents in the main cities of Europe. To succeed in exports you must make sure that you deliver your goods on time, Shapira said. But he was not willing to reveal how he overcomes the regular strikes and go-slows at the ports and customs. He claimed, however, that he manages to deliver about 90 per cent of his goods on time.

At another development town, Ofekim, the local Ofak weaving plant has just had new weaving machines installed in its new plant extension.

The plant now has 32 weaving machines. It is owned by Interdeco. The cost of the new wing came to about IL30m. It includes a modern airconditioning system which is also directed at the weaving machines to keep the threads cool and wet during the weaving process. This helps to increase the quality of the finished product.

At a third development town, Migdal Haemek, Karnit, the plant that specializes in leatherwear and fur coats, announced that it has increased its exports ten fold during the past six years, from \$139,000 in 1970 to \$1.4m. in 1976.

The Agar plant in Kibbutz Ginosar has announced a IL5m. expansion plan, mainly to increase its exports in the electric equipment and electronic field.

The firm today produces electronic equipment for agriculture.

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Market shows further losses

NEW YORK (AP). — The stock market showed some further losses yesterday in moderate trading after a steep slide of the past seven sessions.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials, which closed below 900 last Friday for the first time in more than 16 months, was off almost another 2 points half an hour before the close. Lossers held a 7-to-4 lead over gainers among New York Stock Exchange-listed issues.

Analysts noted continuing concern over rising interest rates. A quarter-point increase in the prime lending rate to 6.75 per cent, initiated last Friday by New York's Fedbank, continued to spread in the banking industry.

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sterling	16.1552	16.2360
M	3.9925	4.0145
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utch Fl.	3.6160	3.6351
wiss Fr.	3.7585	3.7773
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